

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln. No: 10/537,651  
Applicants: Charles Mark Lindall et al.  
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Title: CATALYST AND PROCESS  
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Examiner: James E. McDonough  
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Docket No.: JMYS-128US

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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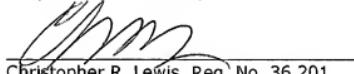
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This is in response to the Restriction Requirement stated in the Office Letter dated September 25, 2008.

The Examiner requires that claims of either Group I (claims 1-6, drawn to a catalyst composition) or Group II (claims 7-15, drawn to a process for making an ester) be elected for prosecution. Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1-6, drawn to a catalyst composition), with traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to argue that EP-1-120-392 does not render the claims unpatentable. Applicants further reserve the right of rejoinder of the process claims upon allowance of the catalyst claims.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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